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WITH EPIDERMAL GROWTH FACTOR-LIKE POLYPEPTIDES

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RESPONSE

In response to the Office action mailed April 10, 2002, please amend the application as follows.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 7-16 and 19-24.

Please amend claim 1 as follows.

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-- 1. A method for reducing a neurological deficit in a patient who has suffered an injury to the central nervous system, the method comprising administering to the patient an amount of an epidermal growth factor-like (EGF-like) polypeptide effective to reduce the neurological deficit in the patient, wherein administration of the EGF-like polypeptide commences more than 6 hours after the injury.--

Please add new claims 25-43.

--25. The method of claim 1, wherein the patient is a human patient.

a2
26. A method for reducing a neurological deficit in a patient who has suffered an injury to the central nervous system, the method comprising administering to the patient an amount

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